

STATE OF ILLINOIS
ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION

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Petition for permission to make a major change in crossing protection, or to install new protection under 92 Illinois Administrative Code 1535.400 (d)

Date: February 17, 2004

To the Illinois Commerce Commission:

The petitioner Wisconsin Central Ltd. shows

- (1) That it is a railroad company operating a line of railroad in the State of Illinois.
- (2) That petitioner proposes and hereby makes application for authority to make a major change in crossing protection, or to install new protection, under 92 Illinois Administrative Code 1535.400 (d) adopted by this Commission.
- (3) That the location of the crossing, the nature of protection now established and proposed to be established, and other pertinent facts in connection therewith, are set forth in the statement attached to and forming part of this petition.
- (4) That petitioner's reasons and purpose, with reference to its said proposal are

The crossing is being revised as part of the addition of a new second main track through the crossing, and change of the track speed to 79MPH. An all new grade crossing control house will be installed as part of this revision at MP 37.37. A detail of the work is also attached here.

- (5) That the facts set forth in this petition and in the statement and plans or plats attached thereto, are, all of them, true and correct to the best of petitioner's knowledge and belief.

WHEREFORE, the petitioner prays that the Commission will, if deemed desirable by the Commission, set the aforesaid matter for hearing, and that the Commission enter an order or adopt a resolution consenting to and granting authority for the making of the said proposed changes in or additions to crossing protection.

Waukesha subdivision

By

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Statement, attached to and part of an application for permission to make a major change in crossing protection or to install new protection, under 92 Ill. Adm. Code 1535.400(d).

1. Name of Railroad Company Wisconsin Central Ltd.
2. Crossing Number 689698N
3. Village or City Vernon Hills
4. Name of Street or Highway Butterfield Road
5. Public Agency Maintaining Highway State
6. Protection now established: (Give full description. Indicate the hours of any manual protection.)
AHCW system with gates, and flashers on a single main track with no other tracks in the highway grade crossing, and approaches set for 60MPH.
7. Protection desired: (Give details)
The crossing is being revised as part of the addition of a new second main track through the crossing and track speed increased to 79MPH. The existing flasher and gate equipment will be relocated to account for the additional track.
8. Number of main tracks 2 Other tracks none
9. Number of passenger train movements: 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. 11 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. 1
10. Number of freight train movements: 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. 10 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. 10
11. Approximate number of switch movements: 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. 5 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. 5
12. Maximum speed of trains at crossing on each track in each direction
Track 1 N/E Bound 79 mph S/W Bound 79 mph
Track 2 N/E Bound 79 mph S/W Bound 79 mph
Track 3 N/E Bound na mph S/W Bound na mph
13. Passenger platforms served by tracks within the limits of track circuits, if any 0
14. Where automatic signals or gates are proposed, approximately number of train or engine movements daily which would cause false indications or operation 0

15. Nature and approximate amount of street or highway traffic over crossing
10,000ADT, 75% automobiles, 25% Trucks.
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16. In addition to the information listed hereinbefore in Form 3, attach a track plan or plat of the proposed crossing. This plan should show:
- (a) Width and surface of highway.
 - (b) Highway intersections (including private driveways to be so indicated) and location of established highway signs or signals within 100 feet of crossing.
 - (c) Location of tracks, switches and other railroad facilities such as block signals, etc. within limits of track circuits, present and/or proposed.
 - (d) Where automatic protection is proposed, show proposed location of signals (sidelights, cantilevers, etc., if any).
 - (e) Show the length of each operation track section within the control limits of the crossing protection and its function.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

-This is an existing crossing with a AHC but will be modified and shall provide for a new 79mph crossing starts. An all new crossing house, with new cables and connections provided to the track and signal locations. Attached are the detail description of the crossing layout, scope of construction, and the detailed circuit plans.

VERIFICATION

I, Dave Creder, first being duly sworn upon oath depose and say that I am Project Manager of Wisconsin Central Ltd., an Illinois corporation; that I have read the above and foregoing petition by me subscribed and know the contents thereof; that said contents are true in substance and in fact, except as to those matters stated upon information and belief, and as to those, I believe same to be true.



Dave Crader
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